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To: Representative Klint Kesto, Chairman
Members of the House Judiciary Committee

From: Andrew R. Schepers, Michigan Government Relations Director, ACS CAN

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Re: Support for House Bill 4869

Chairman Kesto,

Continuity of care for patients who are facing cancer is critical for successful outcomes and improved quality of life. Your committee will be hearing testimony on House Bill 4869 that could impact such continuity of care. We know that physicians, especially oncologists, have a lot of demands on their time including seeing dozens of patients each day, attending to emergencies, and other clinical or academic responsibilities. Cancer patients cherish the continuity of care that they are receiving from their physicians with whom they have an often longtime, established relationship and a stable treatment plan in place.

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network strives to increase the access to care and improve the quality of life for cancer patients through public policy every day. Please support HB 4869 and the continuity of care that cancer patients and their family rely on and treasure.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.

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